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ASK EPA!!

Questions and Answers about
Asbestos and EPA's Investigation

Q: Is EPA giving out vacuum cleaners?

A: EPA plans to provide a High Efficiency Particulate Air (HEPA) filter vacuum to every resident and commercial property in Libby where screening or sampling indicates a potential for indoor dust contamination. Vacuums with HEPA filters, unlike regular vacuum cleaners, can filter out asbestos.

The purpose of the HEPA Vacuum program is to reduce residual risks and ensure the continued protectiveness of the EPA cleanups. The program is a final step in an already rigorous cleanup program, *not* a substitute for cleanup.

The first properties to receive HEPA vacuums will be those EPA has already cleaned up. For properties that have not yet been cleaned up or that don't meet the criteria for EPA cleanup, EPA will provide a HEPA vacuum only after dust samples are collected.

The HEPA vacuum program is voluntary. Property owners also have the option of purchasing their own HEPA vacuum now or in the future.

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